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For: **MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT, PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND OPTICAL ISOLATOR INCORPORATED WITH THIS MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT**

**REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT**

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In reviewing the official Filing Receipt, we noted an error in that the **title is incorrect and should read as - -MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT, PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND OPTICAL ISOLATOR INCORPORATED WITH THIS MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT- -**. A copy of the **Declaration** is enclosed which indicates the correct information. We are enclosing a copy of the filing receipt with the corrections highlighted.

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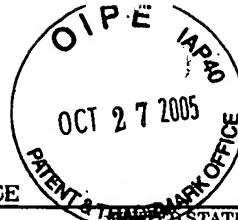
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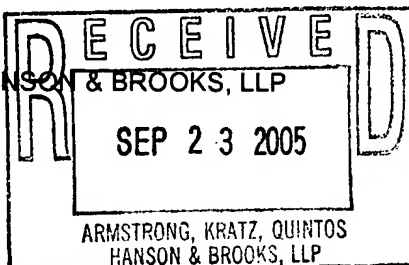
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**Foreign Applications**

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**Title**

Magneto optic element and process for fabricating the same and optical isolator incorporating it  
 -- *Magnetic optical element, Process for its Production and optical isolator*  
 Preliminary Class *incorporated with this magnetic optical element* --  
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**MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT, PROCESS FOR  
ITS PRODUCTION AND OPTICAL ISOLATOR INCORPORATED  
WITH THIS MAGNETIC OPTICAL ELEMENT**

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked

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International Application Number **PCT/JP03/14312** and was amended on **MARCH 02, 2004** (if applicable).

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**Priority Claimed**

(List prior foreign applications. See note A)

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